

HOOPER SEES PUBLIC NEAREST STRIKES

Need Remedy for Calamities
of Unemployment and
Assurance of a Job.

HOPES FOR SOLUTION

Will Be Greatest Blessing
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NO EUROPEAN CURE
American Industry Is Finding
Way to Meet Such
Problems.

The primary interest of the public in certain classes of strikes and industrial controversies was the theme discussed last night by Herbert Hoover, Secretary of Commerce, before an audience which filled to capacity floor and balcony of the Hotel Astor's grand ballroom. Though Mr. Hoover did not speak specifically of either the present rail strike or the recently averted railroad strike, many of his hearers thought he had those demonstrations in mind.

The occasion was the dinner meeting of the joint conference of the Academy of Political Science with the Industrial Relations Association of America, which has been in convention here for several days. Secretary Hoover presided at the dinner. One of the other speakers was James J. Davis, Secretary of Labor.

Two Categories of Industry.
"One idea," said Mr. Hoover, "which is steadily developing in the community is a demand for differentiation between the bases of settlement of conflict between employers and employees in two different categories of industry. First, the category of industries, such as transportation and the coal industry, where the continuous operation is vital to the life and safety of the community, where there is no alternative to some substitute service; and second, the category of industries from the continuous operation of which there is alternative supply without imperiling the life of the community. The public takes but a secondary interest in the conflicts that arise in the last group. It is impatient to find solution of conflict in the first group.

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Causes of Ill Will.
"As a result of these things, we have seen the gradual extension of the arm of the public to these disputes, through both administrative and legislative action. We also witness the extension of public interest bitterly resented both by the employers and employees. The primary instinct of the public is self-preservation first and where 1 or 2 per cent. of the whole population may jeopardize the comfort and security of the other 98 per cent, I do not believe they can be restrained from exerting a commanding influence which much it may be resented by either side.

"The thing that must concern us all is that the entrance of the third party into these disputes shall be in such form that it does not increase the ill will, that it shall be in such form as will secure justice and will preserve the very foundations of industry and thought. American individualism upon which our whole social system is based, that it shall recognize the fundamental necessity to build up good will itself.

One of these causes of ill will that weighs heavily upon the community is the whole problem of unemployment. I know of nothing that more filled the mind of the recent Washington conference, mainly dealing with emergency matters, than the necessity to develop further remedy, first, for the vast calamities of unemployment in the cyclic periods of depression, and, second, some assurance of the individual of reasonable economic security—to remove the fear of total family disaster in loss of the job. I am not one who regards these matters as insolvable.

"Thirty years ago our business community considered the cyclic financial panic as inevitable. We now know we have cured it through the Federal Reserve system. The problem requires study; it, like our banking system, requires a solution consonant with American institutions and thought. I know of no European plan that is applicable to American life. Many American industries are themselves finding solutions. There is a solution somewhere, and it is working out with the greatest speed yet given to our economic system, both to the employer and the employee.

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Mr. Hoover, chairman of the committee on community, civic and emergency measures, showed that sixty cities and towns had taken steps to relieve the pressing needs of unemployment.

ECONOMIST SEES WAGE CUTS AS ESSENTIAL Federal Incorporation Also Urged as Railroad Aid.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 4.—Wage reductions, Federal incorporation and elimination of "weak sisters" was advocated today by Dean Emory R. Johnson of the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania as "first aids to the railroad situation" in an address before the Business Science Club.

"The railroad problem involves the labor situation, the financial condition of railroads, the question of railroad consolidation, Federal incorporation and other machinery for the administrative regulation of the railroads," he said.

"The labor problem has not been definitely solved. The real reason why the strike was called off is to be found in the fact that if any organization of the Railroad Labor Board. The board brought the attention of the employees to the fact that if any organization of the board was to be formed, it would be to wages or working conditions that organization would forfeit the rights and benefits existing under contracts or agreements now in force."

DYSPEPSIA GIVES CANCER WARNING

Signal for Person to Consult
His Physician, Says Dr.
F. C. Wood.

Dyspepsia is one of the commonest warnings of cancer and is a signal, which should send a person to his physician in a hurry. Dr. Francis Carter Wood, director of the Institute of Cancer Research of Columbia University, advised students in the College of Pharmacy at Columbia yesterday.

The meeting was a part of the National Cancer Week Activities.

How to bring the patient in the incipient stages of the disease into the hands of competent physicians is the first and hardest problem in combating cancer, Dr. Wood said, advising the students not to use patent medicines prescribed by quacks when there is the slightest indication that cancer is appearing.

He said: "It is an important disease only in people who have reached the age of 40, and after that every obscure symptom or discomfort, such as bleeding from any part of the body, sores which do not heal, or lumps, are danger signals and indicate that a physician should be consulted immediately. The pharmacist should not sell a tonic to a patient who complains of dyspepsia without advising that patient to see a doctor."

"Never be afraid to act as a misanthrope," Dr. Wood said, "the new cancer is a frequent and a fatal disease. Some physicians have said that this cancer campaign will make people nervous. It is better to be nervous and keep well than to be placid and die of cancer; and nothing is gained by concealing the truth. It is true that a certain number of people will fly to the doctor at the first sign of trouble, and if the pharmacist sells to such frightened people a patent medicine or even a simple accepted remedy he is actually helping to spread the disease."

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MORE GLAND MEDICINE FOR WOMAN 'BURGLAR' Judge Gives Doctor Order to Continue Treatment.

Judge Bayes of the Kings County Court issued an order yesterday for physicians to continue the thyroid gland treatment of a woman charged with the murder of her husband, Mrs. Fannie Liebowitz, 444 Snedeker avenue, Brooklyn, of criminal tendencies. The order was issued on the recommendation of Dr. Ernest M. Vaughan of the District Attorney's staff, and Dr. Carl Boettger, who told the court that they believed Mrs. Liebowitz would eventually be cured.

Mrs. Liebowitz was arrested last June for burglary and pleaded guilty. Evidence indicated she was not responsible for her acts, because her thyroid glands lacked sufficient fluid. The treatment consists of injections of an extract from the thyroid glands of sheep.

OPEN SHOP CITIES LEAD IN BUILDING INDUSTRY Noel Sargent Finds New York First in Closed Towns.

Building permits in open shop cities in the building trades for the first nine months of this year, had a per capita value of \$45, as compared with \$38 per capita for closed shop cities, Noel Sargent, secretary of the National Association of Manufacturers, said last night at the Men's Club in Forest Hills, Queens.

Mr. Sargent presented statistics which he said were drawn from forty cities. The open shop cities had 5,225,572 population, and permits aggregated \$232,650,311. The closed shop cities had 16,451,214 population, and permits aggregated \$160,670,295. New York and Cleveland led the closed shop cities, with \$45 and \$44 per capita, respectively.

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Armament Sunday will be observed in the Fourth Presbyterian Church, West End avenue and Ninety-first street. The pastor, the Rev. Edgar Whelaker, will preach in the morning on "Peace—Is It a Dream?" and in the evening on "Disarmament and World Welfare." A public service will be held in the Fourth Church on Friday, armistice day, from 10:45 to 12:30. People of all faiths are invited.

At the Temple, 120th street and Lenox avenue, Carlyle B. Haynes will speak to-morrow night at 8 o'clock on "What the World Needs Now."

The Rev. Cornelius Woolflein, D. D., minister of the Fifth Avenue Baptist Church, will preach to-morrow afternoon at 4 o'clock in St. Paul's Church, Columbia University. Fr. Walter Henry Hall will be in charge of the music services.

To-morrow afternoon at 4 o'clock in the Chapel of the Intercession, Broadway and 156th street, the celebration of popular vespers will begin. During the last six years these services have been attended by thousands. Frank T. Harriet, who is the chief chorale leader of the church, will again take up the work as recital organist at these services. He will have the assistance of Dr. Will C. Macfarlane. The soloist will be Ernest Davis, tenor of the Boston Grand Opera Company.

On Zoroastrianism.
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